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Severe Weather

Strong Winds Cause Major Damages in Grand Meadow and Stewartville

(ABC 6 News)

Southeastern Minnesota. Saturday's storms took ABC 6 News to Grand Meadow, Spring Valley, and Stewartville, Minnesota. A farmstead five miles north of Grand Meadow suffered numerous major damages from downed trees. ABC 6 Chief Meteorologist Chris Kuball was on scene and talked to the owners and said that he could see downed trees everywhere. Straight line winds, estimated to be as strong as sixty to seventy miles per hour went through the area.

Residents Cleanup After Storms and Strong Winds Barrel through our Area

(ABC 6 News)

Southeastern Minnesota. Residents are cleaning up Saturday night after several storms brought strong winds in Northern Iowa and Southeastern Minnesota. Some tense moments in Osage, Iowa earlier this afternoon after strong winds downed numerous trees throughout the city. The Mitchell County Sheriff's Office said that numerous limbs were reported down scattered throughout the entire city. But thankfully no serious damages to properties were reported. City workers were already starting to clean up right after the storm had passed.

Severe weather sends power lines and trees toppling across southern Wisconsin

(Channel 3000)

Southern Wisconsin. Severe thunderstorms caused widespread damage Saturday across southern Wisconsin. A line of showers and thunderstorms moved through the area during the afternoon and evening, bringing 60 miles per hour wind gusts, small hail, and heavy rain and strikes of lightning. The gusty winds led to numerous reports of downed trees and power lines in Vernon, Juneau, Richland, Sauk, Columbia, Green Lake, and Dane counties.

Public Protests

Minneapolis: Seven Thousand March Through Minneapolis In Protest Of Family Separations

(CBS Minnesota)

Minneapolis, Minnesota. Rather than escape the sun and the heat, an estimated 7,000 people (according to Minneapolis Police) embraced the hot weather downtown to let their voices be heard. Groups representing several causes were united over the idea that immigrant parents shouldn't have their children taken away at the U.S.-Mexico border. The rally/march, named "Keep Families Together" and "Free Our Future," focused primarily on the recent separation of families happening due of the Trump administration's zero tolerance policy. They also want to make sure those same families are reunited.

Milwaukee: Immigrant-rights marchers rally in Wisconsin and the nation

(Milwaukee Journal Sentinel)

Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In the blistering heat Saturday afternoon, thousands of demonstrators filled Wisconsin

Avenue in downtown Milwaukee to protest President Donald Trump's hardline immigration policies that left more than 2,000 children separated from their parents at the U.S. Mexico border in recent months. Marchers at the "Families Belong Together" rally, one of hundreds across the country, joined a growing chorus of critics calling on Trump to abolish the Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency that's been a focal point of the controversy.

Chicago: [Thousands march in Chicago to protest family separation: 'This can't happen'](#)
(*Chicago Sun-Times*)

Chicago, Illinois. Thousands of demonstrators braved the sweltering heat to make their way downtown Saturday to protest the Trump administration's immigration policies. Despite the triple-digit heat index, scores of sweat-drenched protesters filled Daley Plaza by 11 a.m. for the "Families Belong Together" march. Chicago police estimated the crowd at more than 50,000. Attendees spoke out against the recently rescinded policy of separating migrant family members at the U.S. border with Mexico, and others, including Sen. Dick Durbin, went a step further and called for the abolition of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE.

Indianapolis: [Immigration protest march: 'What is happening at the border is wrong'](#)
(*Indy Star*)

Indianapolis, Indiana. Hoosiers in Indianapolis joined thousands of people who took part in marches held in all 50 states to protest the separation of children and parents at the U.S.-Mexico border. The protests, organized by the Families Belong Together coalition, center on the Trump administration's "zero tolerance" policy that separated more than 2,000 children from their parents. The Trump administration has ended the practice of separating families, but many parents and children have yet to be reunited, and the hard-line border enforcement policy remains.

Detroit: [Immigration protests held in nearly 2 dozen Michigan cities](#)
(*The Register Citizen*)

Michigan. Hundreds of people gathered in Detroit and nearly two dozen other Michigan cities to add their voices to nationwide protests over the detention of immigrant families. Detroit police estimated that more than 250 people marched Saturday through the city's downtown before holding a rally at Hart Plaza in sweltering, 95-degree heat. The Detroit News reports that Democratic U.S. Rep. Sander Levin told the gathering that the detention of young immigrant children and the Trump administration's other immigration policies "are a danger to American society." Saturday's rally was among hundreds across the U.S. urging the Trump administration to reunite families separated at the U.S.-Mexico border.

Cleveland: [Hundreds attend Public Square rally to protest Trump immigration policy](#)
(*Fox 8 Cleveland*)

Cleveland, Ohio. Activists, parents and first-time protesters motivated by accounts of children separated from their parents at the U.S.-Mexico border plan to rally in hundreds of cities nationwide Saturday to press President Donald Trump's administration to reunite the families quickly. Hundreds of people showed up to a rally in Public Square Saturday. More than 600 marches were expected to draw hundreds of thousands of people across the country.

Very Respectfully,

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